

# OTAKU LOVE

The Sendsten girls have been trying to spark a little remance between Kanji and Ugue for menth—and a Sendshar trip to a bet springs resert scenes like the perick opportunity. When Oglow falls sick, Olmo assigns Kanji in take care of her. The rest of the Sendshare pump leave for the day, and Kanji is flustly ready to make his never.

her fan-girl ways. To settle things, Kariji will have to read her doujinshi—the one in which he stars! Bet how will Kariji react when he finds hinself the centerpiece of Ogiun's masterwark? Let the fantasy begin!



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### Honorifics Explained

Throughout the Del Rey Manga books, you will find Japanese honorifies left that of the translations for those not familiar with how the Japanese use honorifies and, more important, how they differ from Rimarican honorifies, we present this brief over-view.

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-save This is the most common knorific, and is equivalent to Mr., Miss, Ms., or Mrs. It is the dil-purpose knorific and can be used in any situation where politerases is required.

-samar This is one level higher than \*-sam\* and is used to confer areat respect.

-donor. This comes from the word "tono," which means "lord." It is even a higher level than "-same" and confers utmost respect.

-kww: This suffix is used at the end of boye' names to express familiarity or endocument: it is also sometimes used by men addressing friends, or when addressing someone younger or of a lower station.

-chans: This is used to express endeament, mostly toward girls. It is also used for little boys, pets, and even between lovers. It gives a series of children cuteriess.

Bozu: This is an informal way to refer to a boy, similar to the linglish terms "kid" or "agair."

Sempai/Sempai This title suggests that the addresses is one's sensor in a group or organization. It is most often used in a

school setting, where underclassamen refer to their upperclassamen as "sempol." It can also be used in the workploce, such as where a never employee who has seniority in the company.

Kohati This is the opposite of "—sempol" and is used toward underclassamen in school or resonances in the succlasses. It

connotes that the addresses is of a lower station

Server: Literally meaning "one who has come before," this title is used for teachers, doctors, or masters of any profession or art.

"Address". This is usually forgotten in these links, but it is printipative most significant difference between Japanese and Bignitiitle lact of honorific means labs the speaker has permission to address the present in a very letting say, Usually, only formly, spouses, or very close friends lose this letted of permission. Known by spokeds, co and op graftifying without control has controlled the best of the permission of the second of the permission of the second of the permission of the second permission.



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## Translation Notes

Japanese is a tricky language for most Westerners, and translation is often more art than science. For your edification and reading pleasure, here are notes on some of the places where se could have gone in a different direction in our translation of the work, or where a Japanese cultural reference is used.

# Toppatsubon, page 7

This girl literally says, "We could just do a toppatsuborn." A toppatsubor is a simple type of doujinshi that's thrown together on short notice.



Illustration book, page 22

Oglue is actually using the term (rasulto-bor), which we translated as "flustration book."

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### Copy-bon, page 22

A copy-bon is a doujinski that is created by a copy-duplication process, as opposed to those that are professionally printed.

## Homoue, page 23

"Homoue" is a nlay on Chika's last name, Ogiue. Apparently she earned it by creating hard-core homo-grotic illustrations.



Sou-uke, page 29 Sou-uke is a vaoi term. The uke is the "bottom" of a homosequal yaor couple. Sou-uke is an emphatic term and means something like "total bottom."



### Sneezina, page 30

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# The auys at work, page 83

Madarame is picking out om/vage, or souveries, for kis co-workers, in Japan ambigar is a social requirement. Among going on a trip is expected to bring omiyage back for their friends and coworkers. Snacks and candles are a popular choice.



#### Sergeant Kurvurvu, page 87

Probably a reference to the character First Sergeant Kururu from the where Kernin Guesn.

#### Ivabon rule, page 123

The "tythoor rule" refers to a common manga/arime clicke. When a hero character is in a desperate flight against his foe and yells tytal, meaning "no," the foe will finally fall with a bow, or thud.

#### Tohoku hick, page 175 Tohoku is the region

Ogiue is from

